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FOLLOWING IS PRESS RELEASE NO. 1246B DATED NOVEMBER 6, 1975
CONCERNING ICRC ACTION IN LEBANON.

QUOTE:

GENEVA (ICRC) - A RELIEF COMMITTEE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN LEBANON, CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LEBANESE MINISTRY OF HEALTH, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS (ICRC), THE LEBANESE RED CROSS, THE PALESTINIAN RED CRESCENT', THE ORDER OF PHYSICIANS, THE ORDER OF PHARMACISTS AND THE ASSOCIATION OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS.

THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMITTEE, AT THE OUTSET, IS TO ESTIMATE THE RELIEF NEEDS RESULTING FROM THE FIGHTING DURING RECENT WEEKS, IT WILL THEN ORGANIZE THE DISTRIBUTION OF RELIEF TO THE VICTIMS, REGARDLESS OF THE GROUPS OR PARTIES TO WHICH THEY MAY BELONG.

ALTHOUGH THE ICRC HAS ALREADY SENT EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND GOOD SUPPLIES WORTH ABOUT 700,000 SWISS FRANCS, THANKS TO THE CO-OPERATION OF SEVERAL NATIONAL RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES, ADDITIONAL RELIEF IS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY. IN SOME HOSPITALS THE SITUATION IS EXTREMELY CRITICAL, THEREFORE, UNCLASSIFIED

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WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE RELIEF COMMITTEE'S LISTS OF NEEDS,

THE ICRC AS PREPARING A NEW SHIPMENT OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES.

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